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July 8, 2004

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Dear Mr. Hoefer:

The Application you filed on behalf of Utilities Services of South Carolina, Inc. has been duly received and assigned Docket No. 2004-187-W.

In order to proceed with the processing of this Docket, it will be necessary for you to accomplish the following:

1. Publish once, at your own expense, on or before **July 23, 2004**, the enclosed Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation, in the affected area, and provide the undersigned an **original of publication** on or before **August 6, 2004**.
2. Furnish, at your own expense, on or before **July 23, 2004**, by U.S. Mail, the enclosed Notice of Filing to each affected customer, if applicable, and provide a certification that this notification has been furnished on or before **August 6, 2004**.
3. Furnish the number of witnesses and approximate time required to present your case on or before **August 6, 2004**.

Failure to comply with the above on or before the dates shown may result in **DISMISSAL** of your Pleading.

In the meantime, if you should require additional information, please advise.

Sincerely yours,

BRUCE F. DUKE
Executive Director

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